

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1-9. (cancelled)

10. (previously presented) A compound selected from:

1-(3-fluoro-4-methoxybenzoyl)-4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(quinoline-3-ylcarbonyl)-4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(quinoline-2-ylcarbonyl)-4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(5-trifluoromethylfur-2-yl)-4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(3-trifluoromethoxybenzoyl)-4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(tetrahydrofur-2-ylcarbonyl)-4-(4-chlorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(5-trifluoromethylfur-2-yl)-4-(4-chlorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(pyrid-2-ylcarbonyl)-4-(4-chlorobenzoyl)piperidine;

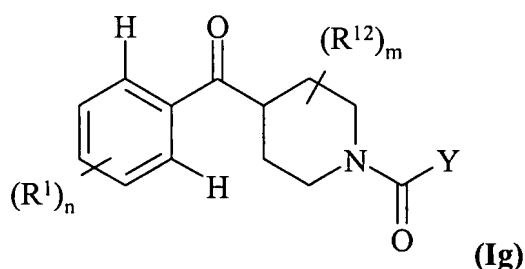
1-(thiazol-4-ylcarbonyl)-4-(4-chlorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(3,3,3-trifluoropropionyl)-4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-4-(3-mesylbenzoyl)piperidine;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

11. (previously presented) A compound of formula **(Ig)**:



wherein:

R¹ is a substituent on carbon and is selected from halo, cyano, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, C₁₋₄alkylS(O)₂, *N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)sulphamoyl or *N,N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)₂sulphamoyl; wherein **R¹** may be optionally substituted on carbon by one or more **R³**;

n is 0-3; wherein the values of **R¹** may be the same or different;

Y is phenyl, pyrimidine, furan, thiophene or thiazole; wherein **Y** may be optionally substituted on carbon by one or more **R²**;

R² is a substituent on carbon and is selected from halo, nitro, cyano, hydroxy, amino, carboxy, carbamoyl, mercapto, sulphamoyl, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₂₋₄alkenyl, C₂₋₄alkynyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, C₁₋₄alkanoyl, C₁₋₄alkanoyloxy, *N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)amino, *N,N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)₂amino, C₁₋₄alkanoylamino, *N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)carbamoyl, *N,N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)₂carbamoyl, C₁₋₄alkylS(O)_a wherein *a* is 0 to 2, C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonyl, C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonylamino, C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonyl-*N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)amino, *N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)sulphamoyl, *N,N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)₂sulphamoyl, C₁₋₄alkylsulphonylamino, aminothiocabonylthio, *N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)aminothiocabonylthio or *N,N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)₂aminothiocabonylthio; wherein **R²** may be optionally substituted on carbon by one or more **R⁶**;

R³ and **R⁶** are independently selected from halo, nitro, cyano, hydroxy, amino, carboxy, carbamoyl, mercapto, sulphamoyl, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₂₋₄alkenyl, C₂₋₄alkynyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, C₁₋₄alkanoyl, C₁₋₄alkanoyloxy, *N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)amino, *N,N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)₂amino, C₁₋₄alkanoylamino, *N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)carbamoyl, *N,N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)₂carbamoyl, C₁₋₄alkylS(O)_a wherein *a* is 0 to 2, C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonyl, C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonylamino, C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonyl-*N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)amino, *N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)sulphamoyl, *N,N*-(C₁₋₄alkyl)₂sulphamoyl or C₁₋₄alkylsulphonylamino; wherein **R³** and **R⁶** may be independently optionally substituted on carbon by one or more **R⁸**;

R⁸ is selected from halo, nitro, cyano, hydroxy, trifluoromethoxy, trifluoromethyl, amino, carboxy, carbamoyl, mercapto, sulphamoyl, methyl, ethyl, methoxy, ethoxy, acetyl, acetoxyl, methylamino, ethylamino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, *N*-methyl-*N*-ethylamino, acetylamino, *N*-methylcarbamoyl, *N*-ethylcarbamoyl, *N,N*-dimethylcarbamoyl, *N,N*-diethylcarbamoyl, *N*-methyl-*N*-ethylcarbamoyl, methylthio, ethylthio, methylsulphinyl, ethylsulphinyl, mesyl, ethylsulphonyl, methoxycarbonyl, ethoxycarbonyl,

N-methylsulphamoyl, *N*-ethylsulphamoyl, *N,N*-dimethylsulphamoyl, *N,N*-diethylsulphamoyl or *N*-methyl-*N*-ethylsulphamoyl;

Z is -S(O)_a-, -O-, -NR¹⁰-, -C(O)-, -C(O)NR¹⁰-, -NR¹⁰C(O)-, -OC(O)NR¹⁰- or -SO₂NR¹⁰-; wherein **a** is 0 to 2; wherein **R**¹⁰ is selected from hydrogen and C₁₋₄alkyl;

R¹² is hydroxy, methyl, ethyl or propyl;

m is 0 or 1;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof;

with the proviso that said compound is not 1,4-dibenzoylpiperidine;

4-hydroxy-1,4-dibenzoylpiperidine; 1-(3,4,5-trimethoxybenzoyl)-1-benzoylpiperidine;

1,4-di-(4-methylbenzoyl)piperidine; 1-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-4-benzoylpiperidine;

1-(3-nitrobenzoyl)-4-benzoylpiperidine;

1-(2-methoxy-4,6-difluoromethylbenzoyl)-4-(4-chlorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(2,6-difluorobenzoyl)-4-benzoylpiperidine;

1-(3-trifluoromethylbenzoyl)-4-(benzoyl)piperidine;

1-(4-aminobenzoyl)-4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(2-chloro-4-nitrobenzoyl)-4-benzoylpiperidine;

1-(4-methoxybenzoyl)-4-benzoylpiperidine; 1-(4-*t*-butylbenzoyl)-4-benzoylpiperidine;

1-(2,4-dihydroxybenzoyl)-4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(4-nitrobenzoyl)-4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(pyrid-3-ylcarbonyl)-4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)piperidine;

1-(thien-2-ylcarbonyl)-4-benzoylpiperidine;

1-(thien-2-ylcarbonyl)-4-(4-methylbenzoyl)piperidine; or

1-(fur-2-ylcarbonyl)-4-benzoylpiperidine.

12. (cancelled)

13. (previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 10 or 11, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in association with a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or carrier.

14-21. (cancelled)

22. (new) The compound of claim 11, wherein n is 0-3; and wherein the values of R¹ may be the same or different; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

23. (new) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 22, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in association with a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or carrier.

24. (new) The compound of claim 11, wherein R¹² is 4-methyl, 4-ethyl, 4-propyl or 3-methyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

25. (new) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 24, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in association with a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or carrier.